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Amendments to the Claims:

The following Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) A laminate comprising:
a first bonding sheet having a major surface and a peripheral edge, said first bonding sheet being suitable for bonding to a glazing component having a major surface and a peripheral edge; and
a transparent optical sheet comprising a non-metallic birefringent multi-layer optical film, said optical sheet having a major surface and a peripheral edge, said optical film having a peripheral edge, and the major surface of said optical sheet and the major surface of said first bonding sheet being positioned together,
wherein said optical film is dimensioned so as to be positionable substantially within the peripheral edge of the glazing component to which said optical sheet is to be adhered.
2. (Original) The laminate of Claim 1 wherein said optical film is dimensioned so as to be positionable completely within the peripheral edge of the glazing component to which said optical sheet is to be adhered.
3. (Original) The laminate of Claim 1 wherein the major surface of said optical sheet and the major surface of said first bonding sheet are at least partially bonded together such that a substantial portion of the peripheral edge of said optical film lies within the peripheral edge of said first bonding sheet.
4. (Original) The laminate of Claim 1 wherein said optical sheet has another major surface and said laminate further comprises a second bonding sheet, said second bonding sheet having a major surface that is positioned relative to the other major surface of said optical sheet such that said optical sheet is disposed between said first bonding sheet and said second bonding sheet.

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5. (Original) The laminate of Claim 4 wherein the major surface of said second bonding sheet and the other major surface of said optical sheet are at least partially bonded together.

6. (Original) The laminate of Claim 5 wherein said optical film lies completely within the peripheral edge of at least one of said first bonding sheet and said second bonding sheet.

7. (Original) The laminate of Claim 4 wherein at least one of said first bonding sheet and said second bonding sheet comprises a material selected from the group consisting of polyvinyl butyral, polyurethane, ionoplast and combinations thereof.

8. (Original) The laminate of Claim 4 further comprising two transparent glazing components, each of said glazing components having a major surface and a peripheral edge, wherein each of said first bonding sheet and said second bonding sheet has another major surface that faces the major surface of one or the other of said glazing components such that said optical sheet is disposed between said first and second bonding sheets and said first and second bonding sheets are disposed between said glazing components such that the peripheral edge of said optical film is positioned substantially within the peripheral edge of at least one of said glazing components.

9. (Original) The laminate of Claim 8 wherein said optical film is positioned completely within the peripheral edge of each of said glazing components.

10. (Original) The laminate of Claim 8 wherein each of said first and second bonding sheets is fully bonded to its respective glazing component and said optical sheet.

11. (Original) The laminate of Claim 8 wherein each of said first and second bonding sheets is bonded to its respective glazing component and said optical sheet, and at least one of said first and second bonding sheets is bonded to the peripheral edge of said

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optical sheet such that there are substantially no voids present adjacent the peripheral edge of said optical sheet.

12. (Original) The laminate of Claim 1 wherein the major surface of said optical sheet and the major surface of said first bonding sheet are at least partially bonded together such that a substantial portion of the peripheral edge of said optical film lies within the peripheral edge of said first bonding sheet, said laminate further comprises a transparent peripheral strip comprising non-metallic multi-layer optical film that once formed an outer peripheral portion of said optical sheet, said peripheral strip having a width and an inner peripheral edge, said peripheral strip being disposed beyond the peripheral edge of said optical sheet, and the inner peripheral edge of said peripheral strip and the peripheral edge of said optical sheet defining a slit therebetween.

13 (Original) The laminate of Claim 12 wherein said optical sheet has another major surface, said laminate further comprises a second bonding sheet having a major surface at least partially bonded to the other major surface of said optical sheet such that said optical sheet is disposed between said first bonding sheet and said second bonding sheet.

14. (Original) The laminate of Claim 13 wherein said slit goes through said optical sheet and through one of said first bonding sheet and said second bonding sheet.

15. (Original) The laminate of Claim 13 further comprising two transparent glazing components, each of said glazing components having a major surface and a peripheral edge, wherein each of said first bonding sheet and said second bonding sheet has another major surface that faces the major surface of one or the other of said glazing components such that said optical sheet and said peripheral strip are disposed between said first and second bonding sheets and said first and second bonding sheets are disposed between said glazing components.

16. (Original) The laminate of Claim 15 wherein each of said first and second bonding sheets is fully bonded to its respective glazing component and said optical sheet.

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17. (Previously Presented) The laminate of Claim 1 wherein the peripheral edge of said optical film is a first peripheral edge and said optical film has a second peripheral edge located within the confines of the first peripheral edge, said second peripheral edge being in the form of at least one hole formed through said optical film.

18. (Currently Amended) A laminate comprising:
two bonding sheets, each bonding sheet having two major surfaces and a peripheral edge and being suitable for bonding to a transparent glazing component; and
a transparent optical sheet comprising a non-metallic birefringent multi-layer optical film, said optical sheet having two major surfaces and a peripheral edge, said optical film having a peripheral edge, one major surface of said optical sheet being positioned adjacent to the other major surface of each of said bonding sheets such that said optical sheet is disposed between said bonding sheets and said bonding sheets are bondable between two glazing components,
said optical film is dimensioned so that its peripheral edge is positionable so as to extend substantially beyond the peripheral edge of at least one of the glazing components between which said optical sheet is to be adhered.

19. (Original) The laminate of claim 18 further comprising two transparent glazing components, each glazing component having a major surface and a peripheral edge, wherein one major surface of one of said bonding sheets is bonded to the major surface of each of said glazing components, such that at least a substantial portion of the peripheral edge of said optical film is disposed so as to extend beyond the peripheral edge of at least one of said glazing components.

20. (Original) The laminate of Claim 19 wherein most of the peripheral edge of said optical film is disposed so as to extend beyond the peripheral edge of at least one of said glazing components.

21. (Original) The laminate of Claim 19 wherein all of the peripheral edge of said optical film extends beyond the peripheral edge of both of said glazing components.

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22. (Original) The laminate of Claim 19 wherein a portion of the peripheral edge of said optical film lies within the peripheral edge of at least one of said glazing components.

Claims 23 to 45 (Canceled)

46. (Currently Amended) A kit for making a laminate, said kit comprising:
a first bonding sheet having a major surface and a peripheral edge, said first bonding sheet being suitable for bonding to a glazing component having a major surface and a peripheral edge; and
a transparent optical sheet comprising a non-metallic birefringent multi-layer optical film, said optical sheet having a major surface and a peripheral edge, said optical film having a peripheral edge, and the major surface of said optical sheet and the major surface of said first bonding sheet being positionable together such that a substantial portion of the peripheral edge of said optical film lies within the peripheral edge of said first bonding sheet,
wherein said optical film is dimensioned so as to be positionable substantially within the peripheral edge of the glazing component to which said optical sheet is to be adhered.

47. (Original) The kit of Claim 46 wherein said optical sheet has another major surface and said laminate further comprises a second bonding sheet, said second bonding sheet having a major surface that is positionable relative to the other major surface of said optical sheet such that said optical sheet can be disposed between said first bonding sheet and said second bonding sheet.

48. (Original) The kit of Claim 47 further comprising two transparent glazing components, each of said glazing components having a major surface and a peripheral edge, wherein each of said first bonding sheet and said second bonding sheet has another major surface that is positionable so as to face the major surface of one or the other of said glazing components such that said optical sheet can be disposed between said first and second bonding sheets and said first and second bonding sheets can be disposed between said glazing components.

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49. (New) The laminate of Claim 1 wherein said optical film is a film from the group consisting of infrared reflecting films, polarized films, non-polarized films, multi-layer films, colored films, tinted films, and decorative films.

50. (New) The laminate of claim 18 wherein said optical film is a film from the group consisting of infrared reflecting films, polarized films, non-polarized films, multi-layer films, colored films, tinted films, and decorative films.

51. (New) The kit of Claim 46 wherein said optical film is a film from the group consisting of infrared reflecting films, polarized films, non-polarized films, multi-layer films, colored films, tinted films, and decorative films.